IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.3779 OF 2005

Smt.Subhadra Sarjerao Ghorpade ...Petitioner

vs.

The State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Respondents

Mr.S.P.Kadam for the Applicant
Ms R.M.Gadhvi,A.P.P. for State

CORAM: A.S.OKA,J.
DATE : JUNE 22,2005.

P.C.:

1. This Application is filed by the original complainant who is a witness and she is the widow of the deceased. Her husband is the victim of the crime and the prosecution is under Section 143,147,148,149,307,302,324,326,504 read with 34 of the I.P.C.

2. The case of the Applicant is that the Sessions Case No. 112 of 1996 is still pending and adjournments have been liberally granted in favour of the accused. The learned Counsel appearing for the Applicant has invited my attention to the Roznama which shows that the recording of evidence of the prosecution witnesses started on 20th February 2003 and till 20th April 2005 only eight prosecution witnesses have been examined. The learned A.P.P. states that about four prosecution witnesses are yet to be examined.

3. It is pointed out that all the accused are on bail. The

Counsel appearing for the Applicant states that there was no justification for granting repeated adjournments.

4. It is not necessary to go into the question whether the adjournments have been granted without any justification. The fact remains that the trial has remained pending for such a long time especially when recording of evidence has been commenced more than two years back. As the prosecution desires to examine only four more witnesses, this Petition can be disposed of by directing the learned Sessions Judge to conclude the trial on or be fore 30th November 2005.

5. Hence the Petition is disposed of by directing the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Satara to decide the Sessions Case No.112 of 1996 as expeditiously as possible and in any event or before 30th November 2005.

JUDGE